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Mr. Doug McCauley
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Subject: SCAG's Draft RHNA Allocation Methodology for HCD Review

Dear Mr. McCauley,

This letter is to provide Southern California Association of Governments' (SCAG's) Draft RHNA Allocation Methodology for HCD review pursuant to Government Code Section 65584.04(h). The Draft Methodology was approved by the SCAG Regional Council at its meeting on November 7, 2019.

The Draft Methodology was developed in the last year with focused stakeholder engagement and extensive committee review. Over 250 people participated in the public hearing process on the methodology with over 250 comment letters submitted. SCAG's RHNA Subcommittee, Community, Economic and Human Development (CEHD) Policy Committee and Regional Council also held more than a dozen meetings, which were open to the public, to deliberate on the merits of the various methodology components and options.

The Draft Methodology is designed to allocate the final regional determination from HCD of 1,341,827 housing units by income categories to 197 local jurisdictions in the region. Throughout the methodology development process, and as elaborated in the attached methodology document, staff has made special efforts to ensure the Draft Methodology furthers the five state housing objectives by increasing housing supply within the region in an equitable manner, promoting efficient development patterns, improving job/housing relationship, addressing social equity, and affirmatively furthering fair housing. The Draft Methodology also advances regional sustainability goals through its alignment with the Draft Connect SoCal, SCAG's Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS) for 2020-2045. Most notably, the transit and job accessibility factors received special emphasis in the Draft Methodology as they contribute effectively to both state and regional goals.

Please note, in addition to the methodology document attached, additional supporting materials have been posted on SCAG's RHNA website at www.scag.ca.gov/rhna including the Data Appendix, Local Planning Factor Survey Responses and Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing Survey Responses.

During this methodology development process, SCAG staff appreciated the consultation with your staff. We look forward to discussing any questions that you might have during HCD's review period.

Sincerely,

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Executive Director

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Attachment: SCAG's Draft RHNA Allocation Methodology